

Contra Costa County Board of Education
MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
August 10, 2022

MEMBERS

Consuelo Lara, Area 1 Trustee
Sarah Butler, Area 2 Trustee
Anamarie Avila Farias, Area 3 Trustee
Mike Maxwell, Area 4 Trustee
Annette Lewis, Area 5 Trustee

STAFF PRESENT

Denise Porterfield, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
Nick Berger, Senior Director, Student Programs
Marsha Tokuyoshi, Senior Director, Educational Services
Marcus Walton, Director, Communications and Special Events
Natalia Ciccone, Exec. Asst. to the Superintendent and Board
Michelle Kiernan, Exec. Asst. to the Superintendent and Board
Neil McChesney, Coordinator, Charter School Oversight
Brian Murtagh, Mt. McKinley Schools Principal
Cynthia Schwerin, Deputy County Counsel

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Sarah Butler called the Board meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 General Information

3. OPENING PROCEDURES

3.1 Roll Call

All Board Members were present.

3.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Butler led the Board in a Pledge of Allegiance

3.3 Agenda Review and Adoption

Action: Adopt the agenda as presented.

Motion by Annette Lewis, second by Consuelo Lara

Yes: Sarah Butler, Anamarie Farias, Consuelo Lara, Annette Lewis, Mike Maxwell

No: None

Absent: None

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

3.4 Board Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2022- ACTION

Action: Adopt the minutes for Board of Education meeting as presented.

Motion by Annette Lewis, second by Mike Maxwell

Yes: Sarah Butler, Anamarie Farias, Consuelo Lara, Annette Lewis, Mike Maxwell

No: None

Absent: None

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

4. CLOSED SESSION

4.1 None.

5. RECOGNITIONS

5.1 None.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.1 Consent Agenda

6.2 Temporary County Certificates (TCCs) – June 2022 (GONZALES) – ACTION

6.3 Review of Williams Uniform Compliant Quarterly Report (BERGER)

6.4 Consider Granting of a Contra Costa County High School Diploma to Adult School Student CCAS1 – 081022

6.5 Consider Granting of a Contra Costa County High School Diploma to Adult School Student CCAS2 – 081022

6.6 Consider Granting of a Contra Costa County High School Diploma to Adult School Student CCAS3 – 081022

6.7 Consider Granting of a Contra Costa County High School Diploma to Adult School Student CCAS4 – 081022

Action: Approve the consent agenda as amended.

Motion by Mike Maxwell, second by Annette Lewis

Yes: Sarah Butler, Anamarie Farias, Consuelo Lara, Annette Lewis, Mike Maxwell

No: None

Absent: None

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

7.1 Public Comment

Alexandra Talwar, NAMI

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8.1 None.

9. BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

9.1 School Site Council (BERGER) - INFORMATION

Nick Berger, Senior Director, Student Programs, and Mt. McKinley principal Brian Murtagh presented the California state requirements for School Site Council and discussed Contra Costa County Office of Education's Student Programs' plan for 2022-2023. Berger announced the meeting dates that have already been scheduled and will be posted soon on the school website pages on the CCCOE website. Schools that receive Title I funds are required to have SSC teams.

9.2 Charter School Update (MCCHESNEY) – INFORMATION

Neil McChesney, Charter Oversight Coordinator, presented a monthly update on the County Board authorized charter schools. The update included the Annual Oversight Visits (AOV) Summary Reports assessing general areas of charter compliance, including observations from 2021-22 school year, CCCBOE Charter site visits, new Charter facilities updates and LCAP presentations.

9.3 State Budget Update (PORTERFIELD) – INFORMATION

Denise Porterfield, Deputy Superintendent, gave highlights from the final State budget that was finalized on June 27, 2022, for 2022-23 and its impact on the CCCOE and school district budgets.

9.4 Policy Standing Committee: First Reading and Review (MAXWELL) – INFORMATION

Trustee Maxwell introduced new, changes and eliminations to Board policies that were discussed at the June 29, 2022 and August 3, 2022 Policy Committee Meetings. The committee presented 13 policies to the Board related to student instruction, school calendar, school safety, health care, parent involvement, education for homeless children and an update to the Williams Uniform Compliant Procedure.

9.5 School Safety and Board School Safety Committee (BUTLER) – DISCUSSION / ACTION

Trustee Butler and Trustee Lara led a discussion for the Board to consider and establish a Board School Safety Committee. The discussion also involved considering establishing a School Safety program presentation through Contra Costa County School Boards Association (CCCSBA) for county-collaboration to have more impact and more visibility.

County counsel also advised that their Board Bylaw 9310 explains how the Board creates a committee that includes board member representation on the committee. The Board can establish committees related to matters where it has jurisdiction. It must define the duties, authority and terms at the time of establishment. A Board committee would be an advisory committee to the CCCBOE. This issue was tabled and will be explored at a future meeting.

Public Comment:
Kevin King

9.6 CCBE County Member Voting Representative (BUTLER) – ACTION

Trustee Maxwell nominated Trustee Lewis to represent CCC BOE as a voting member at the annual CCBE Conference in September.

Motion by Mike Maxwell, second by Anamarie Farias

Yes: Sarah Butler, Anamarie Farias, Consuelo Lara, Annette Lewis, Mike Maxwell

No: None

Absent: None

Final Resolution: Motion passes

9.13 CSBA Annual Education Conference – INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Gathering interest of the Board to attend the CSBA Annual Education Conference in San Diego, December 1-3, 2022.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

10.1 Superintendent's Update

None.

11. CABINET MEMBER UPDATES

11.1 Cabinet Member Updates

Deputy Superintendent Denise Porterfield – General services getting school sites ready and general maintenance for the start of school. External business department is finalizing a review of school district budgets. Technology is implementing more technology workflows and the use of artificial intelligence in areas where staffing is an issue. Internal business is working on closing the books for the year.

12. BOARD UPDATES

12.1 Board Standing Committee Reports

Charter Committee (LARA)- nothing to report

Policy Committee (MAXWELL)- Meeting scheduled for September 14

Budget Committee (MAXWELL)- nothing to report

Legislative Committee (LEWIS)- nothing to report

12.2 Board Member Updates

Trustee Anamarie Avila Farias:

Attended ribbon cuttings and elementary schools that are reopening in her facility in her district.

Will be attending the CCBE Conference in September.

Trustee Annette Lewis:

Attended the budget workshop on July 13.

Helping to plan the CCBE Conference.

Participated in multiple Interdistrict Transfer Hearings.

Trustee Consuelo Lara:
Attended community events.
Will begin mentoring a girls group again when school starts on Aug. 16.

Trustee Mike Maxwell:
Visiting several schools in the district
New football coach at Monte Vista High School
Attended the State Board of Education hearing regarding the formation of the Northgate School District

Trustee Sarah Butler:
Attended the Contra Costa County Teacher of the Year speeches from finalists
Attended several Interdistrict Transfer Hearings
Is a member of the CCBE Policy Platform committee and met over the summer

12.3 Future Agenda Items

Mental health presentation from staff
Establishing a CCC BOE School Safety Committee
Consider joining the NALEO (National Association of Latino Elected Officials)
Address to returning to in-person Board meetings

13. EVENTS CALENDAR

13.1 Calendar of Events 2022

13.2 Board Meeting Dates 2022

Next meeting is scheduled for September 14.

14. ADJOURNMENT

14.1 The President will adjourn the Board meeting

President Butler adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.